

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN
SOUTHERN DIVISION – DETROIT

In the matter of
THE CITY OF DETROIT, MICHIGAN

CHAPTER 9 CHAPTER 9
Case No. 13 53846 swr
HONORABLE STEVEN RHODES

Objections to the proposed Disclosure Statement

Sadly absent from the chapter 9 debtor's disclosure is an acknowledgement of state of the city as it exists, not as a business entity, but as a living breathing organism or more appropriately as the place where perhaps a million living breathing human organisms spend their days and nights.

Some go home. Some stay.

The chapter 9 debtor is asked to acknowledge, by including in its disclosure statement, the following:

- That gang crime is rampant.
- That gangs run the city.
- That the city cannot fathom how to deal with the gangs.

- That gang turf warfare is a constant.
- That gang turf warfare costs lives.
- That gang turf warfare has no regard for bystanders.

- That neither the private gilbert police force, nor the city state county or federal law enforcement entities posted in the city have figured out how to deal with the gangs.
- That the real city of Detroit belongs to the gangs.
- That any plan that does not address the gangs and bring the gangs into the plan is a plan set up to fail.
- That the types of negotiations which must be occurring are negotiations with those in gang power.

- That only working with gangs can achieve a result gangs will respect.
- That gangs will continue to function.
- That gangs in partnership with the new city do have a chance to survive.
- That the city must recognize the power of the gangs, their existence, the weight of their financial pull.

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